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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the examination of this application, applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20.

Please add new claims 21-40.

21. An immunogen comprising a peptide coupled to Protein D from Haemophilus Influenzae, or a fragment thereof as a carrier, wherein the peptide is between 2-50 amino acid residues in length.
22. An immunogen as claimed in claim 21, wherein said peptide is derived from one of an IgE epitope or mimotope, Gonadotrophin hormone releasing hormone or mimotope thereof, a fragment of the amyloid precursor protein or mimotope thereof.
23. An immunogen as claimed in claim 21 wherein the ratio of peptide:protein D carrier is between 1:1 to 20:1.